

Whereas this street, bordered by stately public buildings and by the beautiful Mall and Parkway, within which are the Nation's monument to George Washington, and memorial to Abraham Lincoln, will be one of the most impressive thoroughfares in the world; and Whereas a street thus connecting the Capital with the Memorial Bridge leading over the Potomac River to Arlington National Cemetery, formerly the home estate of Robert E. Lee, and to the Washington Memorial Highway which ends at Mount Vernon—a street so rich in historical association and destined during the centuries to behold countless processions of American patriots and millions of liberty-loving men, women, and children, wending their way to Arlington and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier—should have a name in keeping with its character, a name of dignity and beauty and profound significance; and

Whereas the Constitution of the United States of America, "the most wonderful work ever struck off at a given time by the brain and the purpose of man," is the mighty instrument which made the land of Washington and Lincoln and Lee "An indissoluble union of indestructible States" from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico, from the Atlantic Ocean to the golden shores of the Pacific, the grandest home that Freedom ever knew, under the freest government the world has ever seen: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in honor of the Constitution of the United States of America, the thoroughfare now known as B Street northwest, in the District of Columbia, and as it may at any time be extended, widened, or otherwise changed, shall hereafter bear the name "Constitution Avenue."

That in honor of the State of Louisiana and that territory comprised in the "Louisiana Purchase" from which thirteen other sovereign States of this Union, in whole or in part, were carved, the thoroughfare running from the Union Station Plaza, crossing North Capitol Street and New Jersey and Indiana Avenues and running into Pennsylvania Avenue, shall hereafter bear the name "Louisiana Avenue".

That the portion of the avenue now known as "Louisiana Avenue," not absorbed by the enlarging of the park and plan system of the Planning Commission, shall no longer be known as "Louisiana Avenue."

Approved, February 25, 1931.

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CHAP. 305.—An Act For the relief of the State of Alabama.

Alabama.
Accountability of, for
Federal property lost,
etc., during March,
1929, terminated.

U. S. C., p. 1037.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the State of Alabama be, and is hereby, relieved from all responsibility and accountability for certain quartermaster and ordnance property to the approximate value of \$1,098.29, the property of the War Department, which was lost, destroyed, or used for flood-relief work incident to the Elba (Alabama) flood of March, 1929, while in the possession of the Alabama National Guard; and the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to terminate all further accountability for said property.

Approved, February 26, 1931.